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*Tyler Amell, PhD*

## Appointment of Tyler Amell, PhD, as Registrar

Pacific Coast University for Workplace Health Sciences (PCU-WHS) President Wolfgang Zimmermann is pleased to welcome Tyler Amell, PhD, to the position of Registrar.

As a long-time professor and supporter of PCU-WHS, Dr. Amell accepted the new role stating, "It was an opportunity to contribute to the University's greater success and it was appealing to me to join with Wolfgang and the top leadership now in place."

In his role as Registrar, he ensures students meet the criteria to enter the University's Bachelor of Disability Management degree program and achieve the competency standards necessary to graduate.

Dr. Amell is an internationally recognized thought leader on the topic of workplace health and productivity and a frequent speaker and writer on the topic. He is also one of a small international cohort of occupational epidemiologists and regularly travels the globe giving key-note addresses.

As an epidemiologist, Dr. Amell has been in high demand during the Covid pandemic. He notes, "The moment pandemics occur, we become rock stars."

His areas of expertise relevant to disability management include workplace health and productivity, disability prevention, absence and leave, ergonomics, and job retention and return to work. He is interested in the field of integrated workplace health and the potential it holds as an employee retention tool in cases of both physical and mental health.

Dr. Amell's experience includes roles as partner/vice president at Morneau Shepell, a global human resources consulting, technology and services firm, chief executive officer of a human resources technology company, and vice president of LifeWorks, Canada's largest independent health care and rehabilitation company. He is also chief health and strategy officer at MediKeeper, a corporate wellness platform.

He is a past board member of the US-based Integrated Benefits Institute (IBI) and the Canadian Association for Research on Work and Health (CARWH). He currently serves on the executive board of directors of the National Wellness Institute (NWI) and the Work Wellness Institute. He has a PhD in Rehabilitation Science from the University of Alberta.

### About PCU-WHS

PCU-WHS is a statutory, degree granting, not for profit, special purpose University, whose focus is in the areas of health and safety, health promotion, disability management and return to work, and rehabilitation.

In addition to the Bachelor of Disability Management, now available as a part-time program as well as a full-time program, the University also offers an Advanced Certificate in Return to Work. There are numerous continuing education certificate programs and courses for professionals already established in the field. The broad curriculum of courses are all offered online attracting students from across Canada and around the world.

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